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In re Appln. of: Naoya Hasegawa ET AL.

Appln. No.: 10/079292

Filed: February 20, 2002

For: EXCHANGE COUPLED FILM
HAVING IMPROVED CURRENT-
CARRYING RELIABILITY AND
IMPROVED RATE OF CHANGE
IN RESISTANCE AND
MAGNETIC SENSING ELEMENT
USING SAME

Examiner: Christopher R.
Magee

Art Unit: 2653

Attorney Docket No: 9281-4288

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TRANSMITTAL

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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Check for \$180; Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; PTO-1449; Copy of Japanese Office Action for corresponding Japanese Patent Application 2001-042908; Copy of Reference B7
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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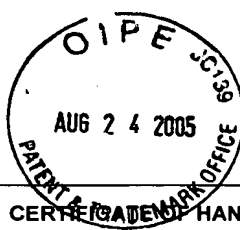
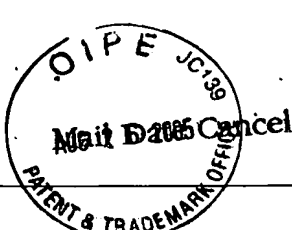
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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

No.	Date of Publication
6,879,472	04-2005
6,678,128	01-2004
6,577,477	06-2003
6,498,707	12-2002
5,731,936	03-1998
6,387,548	05/2002
2000-150235	05-2000

Applicants is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary,

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37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Also enclosed is a copy of an office action for corresponding Japanese Patent Application 2001-042908. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.


U.S. Patent Application 6,387,548 corresponds to Japanese Patent Application No. 11-191647 but does not include the discussion regarding heat treatment discussed in the Japanese Patent No. '647 patent.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Statement. Applicant has enclosed a check covering this fee, or authorized charging the fee to a deposit account or credit card, as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

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	B1	6,879,472	04-2005	Saito et al.		
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	B7	2000-150235	05-2000	Japan		X	

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